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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Delete the attorney docket number, "6617", and insert therefor --Attorney Docket No. 11684.05--.

Delete paragraph 2, page 1, lines 10-17, under the heading "Reference to Related Applications", in its entirety, and insert therefor the following paragraph:

The present application is related to the following applications, all of which are incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth: United States Patent Application entitled "Apparatus and Method for Controlling Distribution of Files and File Updates," application number 09/492,846 filed on January 27, 2000; United States Patent Application entitled "Cache